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## HASKELL STORES REFLECT GLITTER OF CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY SEASON

### Churches of City Planning Appropriate Yuletide Programs STORES FEATURING LARGER XMAS STOCK

#### CH ARRANGING SPECIAL SERVICES

##### Christians Celebrate Debt-Free 'White Christmas' at Christian Church

All churches will enact their Christmas programs Sunday, December 19. Each church, in special program of Christmas, will present their own during morning services. The churches will join in Christian church in the celebration of the legendary "White Christmas" Sunday night, the largest celebration program will be next Sunday when Methodist church has planned "Emancipation" program at church debt. Within the new days \$7,400 in cash and has been raised by members to pay a pending debt of \$1,600 and by December 26 the debt \$1,600 is expected to be paid.

#### W. L. Scott To Be Promoted To Assistant Agent

W. L. Scott, assistant in agriculture conservation in Haskell County will be promoted to a new position January 1, it is announced. He will assume duties as assistant county agent of Young county with headquarters at Graham according to tentative arrangements. Mr. Scott has been assistant to Mr. Chesser for the past ten months coming from Trowlock-morton County. A graduate of A. and M. College, he has capably supervised his work in AAA program in Haskell County. His successor has not been named yet.

#### SUBSIDY PAYMENT PAY-OFF CLEARED BY COUNTY AGENT

##### Not Necessary To Sell Entire 1937 Cotton To Get 3-Cent Subsidy

Haskell county farmers have been told by County Agent B. W. Chesser it is not necessary to sell their entire 1937 cotton crop before July 1, 1938, in order to be eligible for the 3-cent subsidy payment of the cotton price adjustment program. Chesser stated reports had been coming to his office indicating many farmers and others are under the impression they must dispose of their entire crop before the date mentioned. That is erroneous, he declared. Payments will be made on the first bales of cotton in any amount up to 65 per cent of the base production, if other requirements are met. Divisions of cotton price adjustment payments will be made in proportion to the interest of each party, where more than one person is interested in the eligible cotton produced on a farm in 1937. The eligible cotton for a farm is determined by taking the grower's cotton base acreage, which was established in 1937, and multiply this acreage by the adjusted yield, and that 65 per cent of this result is the amount on which the cotton price adjustment payments may be made.

#### B. Walters, Farm Delegate Returns From Convention

Mr. B. Walters, official delegate of Haskell County returned Sunday from the annual State convention of the Texas Agricultural Association meet in Fort Worth, where more than 2,500 leading farmers discussed future farm legislation and endorsed the proposed farm program and commended the past AAA program. Mr. Walters will give a report of the Convention in the Haskell county court house at 3 p. m. Saturday, December 18. Among the leading farm leaders discussing legislation at the meeting were: Dr. R. H. Montgomery, economist of the University of Texas, Professor E. R. Alexander, Professor of agriculture education at A. and M. College, Louis P. Merrill, Regional director of Soil Conservation Service and C. M. Evans, Regional Director of the Farm Security Administration.

#### Hunters Return With 9-Point Buck

Returning late Saturday from Gillespie county, a party composed of C. O. Scott, R. B. Guess Rev. R. Whitley and Sam A. Roberts brought back a fine specimen, a nine-point buck killed by Sam Roberts during their stay of several days.

#### Charge Negro With Attempt To Murder After Knife Fight

William Bush, negro is in the county jail charged with assault attempt to murder, following Saturday night knife fight in which Henry Martin, another negro, was at first believed to be in serious condition, received a stab that penetrated his chest and his tongue. Bush was unharmed in the fight which occurred on a negro cafe.

#### EXPECT CONGRESS VOTE ON NEW FARM BILL WEDNESDAY

##### Bill Proposes To Regulate Size, Sales of Cotton, Corn and Wheat

Senate sponsors of the new farm bill indicated today they would try hard to get a vote on crop control legislation this week. The house adopted a companion measure last week, congress expects to wind up its special session Dec. 22, and administrative leaders are eager to perform as expected on President Roosevelt's lead-off legislative item before they go home. Majority Leader Barley of Kentucky said he expected a roll call vote on the bill not later than Wednesday. "The senate is certain to pass the bill this week," said Chairman Smith, Democrat, South Carolina, of the agriculture committee. Senator Ellender, Democrat, Louisiana, and two co-authors of the measure, Senators Pope, Democrat, Idaho, and McGill, Democrat, Kansas, also predicted quick action.

The senate bill is more drastic and at the same time more liberal than the house measure passed last week. Based on what its authors say is the constitutional power of congress to regulate interstate and foreign commerce, it proposes that the federal government by mandate regulate the size and sales of cotton, corn, wheat, tobacco and rice. The senate held a week-end session in an effort to hasten action. The senate's session brought several new amendments to the farm measure, including one by Senator Borah (R-Idaho) to require the agriculture department to consider freight rates in computing the yardstick under which it will make payments to farmers. Borah said a 15 per cent freight rate increase, now being sought of the Interstate Commerce Commission, would wipe out benefits farmers might realize under the plan. Another amendment by Senator Hayden (D-Ariz.) provided for an increase in the cotton acreage limit for next year. Hayden said most of the increase would go to states where the production per acre was high. The change would increase the estimated allowable yield from 10,990,000 to 14,833,000 bales. The senate adopted another amendment by Sen. George (D-Ga.) which would permit immediate three-cents-per-pound price adjustment payment on the 1937 cotton crop.

#### TO ENROLL QUOTA OF C.C.C. YOUTHS IN COUNTY AGAIN

##### Smaller Group To Be Enlisted In January With Rule Changed

A third quota of Haskell county youths will be accepted for Civilian Conservation Camp enrollment early in January, announces Mrs. Kate Perdue, county reefer agent. It is expected the third enrollment will be larger than the two previous quotas for the county. But boys who had previously enrolled in CCC camps and were not allowed to enlist again because of periods already served in camps will be accepted in this quota, according to the new regulations. All other rules are the same. Youths interested in enlisting are asked to see Mrs. Perdue at the relief office in Haskell county or in Rochester each Thursday, or in Rule each Tuesday. With the exception of these two days she will be at the local office. Already two groups of youths have been enrolled during the past two and a half months in the CCC, one group of thirty-five and another of forty-five. T. J. Arbuckle visited his mother in Fort Worth Saturday.

#### Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—President Franklin D. Roosevelt pictured on the rear platform of the Presidential special as he departed for a southern fishing trip. 2—Chinese in conquered Shanghai waiting in line for the handful of rice that will stave off starvation. 3—Homer Graber, eighteen, of Mineral Point, Wis., shown with his 1,242-pound Ezerford steer that won the grand championship in the junior feeding contest at the International Livestock show in Chicago.

#### COUNTY LISTED FOR FARM TENANCY AID

##### \$9,000,000 To Be Loaned To Tenant Farmers For Farm Purchases

Haskell county has been selected as one of the twenty-six Texas counties in which the farm security administration's tenancy program would operate, according to the approval of Secretary Wallace. Approximately \$9,000,000 has been appropriated to be loaned at three per cent interest to tenants who will have to put up not one dollar of their own money to make the purchase of farms. Loans will range in amount from \$1,200 to \$9,000 per farm, according to the type of farming and value of the land in different areas. The apportionment was made by the State Advisory Committee of the Farm Security Administration. Paul V. Marse, national director of the tenant land purchase activities of FSA told the committee "will go beyond the limits fixed by custom and experience," in the liberality of their terms. He warned that "something more than optimism and good intention will be required to operate such a program successfully" but laid down principles which, if followed would bring repayment of loans "to compare favorably with other sound lending operations." The money will be allotted the State for the program will be divided among the counties according to the percentage of tenancy, with no county having less than five per cent of the total.

#### CHRISTMAS TURKEY MARKET INCREASED ON FINAL CLOSE

##### Price Increased To Sixteen Cents With Purchase of 30,000 Pounds

The Christmas turkey market closed Monday at sixteen cents, two cents higher than opening of the season, with buying much heavier than expected at first. More than thirty thousand pounds were sold by Haskell County farmers on the Christmas market, bringing a timely cash income for holiday buying of almost \$4,500 and more than \$8,000 was sold on the Thanksgiving market. Buying in other nearby places was also heavier than expected and only a few flocks are left in the diminished flocks. Largest individual check to a Haskell producer went to Vera McLennan in the extreme south-eastern part of the county, who sold 152 turkeys, averaging seventeen pounds for \$431, bought by the Clifton Produce Co. Her sister and a brother's flocks brought almost as much money combined.

#### Robert W. Calvert Is Candidate For Attorney General

Robert W. Calvert, Speaker of the House of Representatives and candidate for Attorney General of Texas, was a visitor in Haskell Wednesday. Mr. Calvert, graduate of University of Texas Law School has been a member of the House since 1932, and was reelected in 1934 and 1936 without opposition. He was unanimously elected Speaker of the House in January, 1937. The Hill County Bar Association unqualifiedly indorse Robert Calvert for Attorney General and state, "In his practice we know him as an ardent student and an able advocate, a welcome colleague and a worthy opponent, and we commend him to the people of Texas as thoroughly fit and qualified to discharge the duties of Attorney General with credit to that high office and to himself."

#### Called To Attend Funeral of Aunt In Anson Sunday

Mrs. Carrie McNulty, and her mother Mrs. S. P. Kinnison were called to the bedside of Mrs. Kinnison's sister, Mrs. W. Pierce of Anson Saturday. Mrs. George Bounds of Memphis accompanied them. Mrs. Pierce, 61, pioneer resident of Jones county, died at her home Saturday night of pneumonia after a short illness. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon. She is survived by her husband, and seven sons. Mr. and Mrs. Sam A. Roberts visited relatives and friends in Munday Sunday.

#### HASKELL COUNTY COTTON GINNINGS ARE 41,644 BALES

##### More Than Doubles Last Year's Ginnings For Same Period

Cotton ginnings in Haskell county totaled 41,644 bales prior to December 1, as compared with 19,287 bales for the 1936 crop, more than twice the amount this year from the same corresponding period. This is an increase of 4,529 bales since November 14, last government census report by W. P. Trice, special agent of the bureau of census. The agriculture department forecast a 18,741,000 bale record cotton crop last week in its final 1937 estimate. Ginnings in Haskell totaled 11,493 bales a week ago for the season and since that time approximately 750 bales have been ginned locally. The heaviest per-acre yield on records caused the production high for the year. The department said it was indicated an average of 264.6 pounds had been grown on 33,930,000 acres. The record-breaking yield compared with 197.9 pounds for last year and 169.9 pounds for the 10 years 1925-32. The previous record yield was 223.1 pounds in 1898.

#### Gerald C. Mann Former Secretary State Visits Here

Gerald C. Mann, Dallas attorney, former secretary of state, and candidate for attorney general, visited in Haskell Saturday. "I have made no formal announcement of my candidacy, but am not denying anything," Mann is expected to make an announcement about January 1. Mann is one of several candidates expected to enter the attorney general campaign, and visited friends here.

#### ROY AND FLOYD COOK PURCHASE EDWARDS SHOP

Change in ownership of the Arthur Edwards Barber Shop to become effective Monday December 20, was announced this week. The business has been purchased by Roy and Floyd Cook, local barbers, who will operate the business in the future. Mr. Edwards stated that he would retain office space in the barber shop building, where he will continue his occupation of jeweler and watchmaker and the practice of magnetic healing. Messrs. Cook announced that several changes would be made in the arrangement of fixtures in the shop, with possibly shop additions.

#### POSTMASTER CITES HOLIDAY MAILING REGULATIONS HERE

##### 1 Cent Drop Letter Rate Applicable Only To Sealed Letters

Timely helps have been suggested by the postal department in respect to mailing Christmas cards, packages and rates, announces J. M. Diggs, postmaster. First of all postage should be fully prepaid on all mail matter, rates of which are as follows: first class: letters and written and seal matter, 3 cents for each ounce, except when addressed for local delivery; local letters, 2 cents an ounce at letter carrier post offices, and 1 cent an ounce at other offices unless collected or delivered by rural or star route carriers, in which case the rate is 2 cents an ounce. Postal Cards Government postal cards require 1 cent postage, this to include greeting cards. Airmail letters require 6 cents postage per ounce or fraction thereof to any point in the United States, including Alaska. This rate applies to Hawaii mailings when sent by steamship across the ocean. Postmaster Diggs stressed particularly the postage required on mailed under cover and unsealed are chargeable with postage at the third-class rate of 1-1/2 cents for each two ounces or fraction thereof, regardless of whether addressed for delivery through post office boxes, general delivery or city and rural carrier. The 3-cent drop letter rate applicable to non-letter carrier offices, does not apply to cards in unsealed envelopes. Printed Cards Printed Christmas and other greeting cards in unsealed envelopes may bear a simple written inscription not in the nature of personal correspondence such as "Sincerely yours," "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year," together with the name and address of the sender and addressee without subjecting them to more than the third-class rate. Greeting cards with written messages, sealed or unsealed, must have 3 cents postage. In order to further facilitate handling mail at first, second and third-class post offices during Christmas holidays, postmasters are authorized to pre-cancel and affix stamps for the payment of postage on matter of the second, third and fourth classes, offered for mailing during the month of December, the stamps not to be delivered to the persons presenting parcels for mailing, but to be affixed to the parcels by the postmaster, or any employe of the post office after the proper postage has been paid. Christmas seals and stickers may be used from now until Jan. 1 but should not be placed on address side of mail. POULTRY SHIPMENTS FROM STATE SHOW INCREASE Poultry shipments for Texas to out-of-State points during October totaled 43 cars, including 32 cars of chickens and eleven cars of turkeys, according to the University of Texas Bureau of Business Research. These shipments compare with only six cars during October last year, and two cars were chickens and two cars turkeys. Interstate egg shipments totaled 21 cars, compared with 18 cars during October a year ago. Only six cars of eggs were brought in from out-of-state points during the month—one came from Kansas and five from Missouri. During October last year 29 cars were brought in—seven from Kansas, twelve from Missouri, two from Oklahoma, six from Nebraska, and two from California. R. P. Vannoy returned Sunday from Lubbock, where he underwent examination by physicians of injuries sustained recently in a car wreck. He also returned his automobile to Haskell. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Alexander and daughter, from Seymour were Haskell visitors over the week-end.

#### Increased Spending Starts Earlier This Year

Haskell is all ready for Christmas. Decorated in gala festive design, with Christmas displays, fir trees, colored lights and tinsel, the created Christmas spirit has already started a flurry of shopping earlier than in past seasons, and buying is expected to reach its near peak this week-end, with only ten shopping days left. It's the usual custom of course but by no means time worn. There is as much enthusiasm shown this year as in other years. Stores are crowded with Christmas merchandise, and as a lady customer remarked this week: "I was in another town this past week but I didn't find anything better than is being shown right here in Haskell, so I came back to Haskell to do my holiday buying." Merchants point out the two-fold advantage of buying locally. First you get merchandise of first choice and second, the store from which you made the purchase backs the sales as being all that is represented.

#### With special attractions planned by the chamber of commerce for December 22 and 24, Wednesday and Friday, unusually large crowds will be attracted to Haskell for their holiday buying.

In a recent survey of Haskell stores and those in surrounding towns it was reported that prevailing prices are lower in many instances and Christmas merchandise stocks are more complete here than in a number of other towns. With Christmas so near you are urged to do your shopping now to avoid that last-minute rush.

#### Stamford Player Ruled Ineligible By State Group

Joe Jones, Stamford half-back is ineligible ruled the State executive committee of the interscholastic league in session last week-end, according to information received by E. M. Connell, Anson school superintendent. No further action has been taken by the committee as football season is already over and Stamford was defeated in the bi-district game. From records of the Post school it was revealed that Jones had attended the school seventeen days over a four month period last year and according to rules of the interscholastic league a student is allowed to attend another school only two weeks. In an investigation by the Anson school officials concerning another Stamford player's status the data concerning the case was uncovered but too late before the bi-district game was played. An Anson end, Kinney, also a transfer, was ruled ineligible earlier in the season by protesting Stamford school officials. Johnson, Stamford superintendent, states that he can show the State executive committee where the Post school records are inaccurate and that Jones was eligible. In all probability no other action will be taken by the group, as there is no doubt of his eligibility by his school.

#### REUNION HELD IN J. I. MURPHY HOME SUNDAY

J. I. Murphy of Midway community has been ill since August 18, confined to his room most of the time. In request to see his children all together a family reunion was held December 7 in the home of his daughter Mrs. Jim Reeves with whom Mr. Murphy lives. Those present were: Mrs. Lena Payne, Fort Worth; J. I. Murphy, Jr., Garland, Ark.; Afton Murphy, Texarkana, Ark.; K. T. Murphy of La.; Mrs. Winnie Alexander, Duke, Okla.; Mrs. Lillian Reeves, Rule; Mrs. Addie Fothergill, Matie, Colo. Grandchildren present: J. I. Murphy of Garland, Ark.; Nadine Reeves, Deinah Reeves, Charles Afton Reeves, James Marion Reeves, all of Rule. One daughter, Mrs. Maude Jones of Missouri was unable to attend.

#### Hon. Clyde Grissom and wife and children of Eastland were week-end guests in the home of friends here.

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### REASONS FOR HIS FAITH

Roger Babson's confident prediction of an upward trend in business in 1938 is no doubt based on his accurate knowledge of conditions—plus his assurance that the Roosevelt Administration will not get around and let business "go into a tailspin", as John Lewis has predicted.

Babson's confidence is already justified by the manner in which the President and Congress are attacking the recent slump, front and flank. The President says that one of the chief causes of the recession in business is the failure of the building industries to properly function. The heavy industries are the ones which have been most apathetic in their lack of response to the methods used by the Federal Government to create jobs and stimulate a rapid flow of money—and they are industries whose activity reaches into all channels of the national life with circulation of dollars and creation of jobs when they are moving at normal tempo.

Building costs have been too high, analysts declare. Perhaps they would not seem so high if cheaper money were available with which to meet them. The Government is attacking a real log jam when it goes after the building problem, but the President's plan may have the punch which will break up the stagnated condition and start building operations in earnest.

If efforts in that direction do not meet with entire success, the aid to be given to agriculture and other measures will have their effect. And Babson understands the American business man well enough to know that with a minimum of encouragement he will undertake a maximum of performance.

### EXILING FOR GOOD

The Lindberghs have come back to the United States to spend Christmas. Of course they didn't return their children, perhaps for fear of another kidnapping.

It is possible that the visit to the United States might have been in the nature of a test of the possibility of a return to this country. If so, apparently we have exiled them for good through the pitiless scrutiny which the American press turns upon them.

They left England in secrecy, without herald of press or without inconvenience, and were almost at our door before we realized it. Then the representatives of the press set about making their lives miserable.

Why do our newspaper reporters force them into the limelight when nothing is to be gained by it? Colonel Lindbergh is only an ordinary citizen now. The exploit which won him fame took place more than decade ago. Are we to hound him the rest of his life?

Considering the peace and quiet, obscurity and privacy which have been extended them by England as compared to our intrusions, it is not surprising that the Lindberghs have chosen England for their permanent home. We have exiled them.

### RESPONSE

All who have participated in the canvass for memberships in the American Red Cross in Haskell County have a right to feel highly gratified at the splendid record made. The fine total not only exceeds any other year's total in the amount of money raised, but it is characterized by a much more widely disseminated membership than before.

Haskell County has had ample opportunity to know that the money invested in Red Cross memberships is broad cast on the waters. The organization of mercy and neighborly assistance has played the Good Samaritan to Haskell County citizens on numerous occasions when their need was dire and has always done it in a gracious spirit and a charitable liberality.

The money Haskell County has spent in Red Cross memberships is an investment in appreciation and neighborly helpfulness.

### HIGHWAY MESSAGE

There is little logic in a Federal economy program which proposes to appropriate \$20,000,000,000 (billions) to be loaned for one construction purpose and to lop \$100,000,000 from another. To do that is simply to handicap one form of enterprise in favor of another. As an economy measure, Mr. Roosevelt's highway fund message to Congress would have been much stronger had it not been preceded by the enlarged FHA recommendation of the preceding day. Indeed the actual results of this sort of left-handed economy are quickly discernible in the reaction of a Congress which welcomes the idea of spending the \$20,000,000,000 (billions) and scots the plan of saving the \$100,000,000.

The two Roosevelt messages plant congressional policy square in the midst of the situation which most observers have feared. The administration wants economy but can not readjust itself to it. Congress does not want economy at the expense of potential 1938 votes. Between the two situations the balanced budget, which looks like the only rock of refuge, is very far away.

Studied on its own merits, the highway message in spite of the effect the drastic program will have on highway programs already well along the road to contractual provision, is a part of the kind of planning that must be applied quickly to Federal expenditure. Present Federal highway construction aid is far in advance of the schedule originally planned as justified by budget figures. The work has been for the most part economically done and the results have been profitable. But while eating the highway cake, we must do without cake in some other department if the budget is going to be balanced.

### YOUTH—THE TIMELESS TREASURE

Youth is not a time of life—it is a state of mind. It is not a matter of ripe cheeks, red lips, and supple knees it is not a temper of the will, a quality of imagination, a vigor of emotions, it is a freshness of the deep springs of life. Youth means a temperamental predominance of courage over timidity, of the appetite for courage over love of ease. This often exists in a man of 50 or more than in a boy of 20. Nobody grows old by merely a number of years; people grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Worry, doubt, self-distrust, fear and despair—these are the long, long years that bow the head and turn the growing spirit back to dust.

You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt; as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear; as young as your hope, as old as your despair. In the central place of your heart there is a wireless station; so long as it receives messages of beauty, hope, cheer, courage, grandeur, and power from the earth from men, and from the Infinite, so long as you are young. When the wires are all down and all the central place of your heart is covered with the snows of pessimism and the ice of cynicism, then are you grown old indeed.—Pastime Scrapbook.

# Floyd Gibbons' ADVENTURERS' CLUB



### HEADLINES FROM THE LIVES OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF!

#### "He Confessed a Murder"

By FLOYD GIBBONS  
Famous Headline Hunter

HELLO EVERYBODY:

Meet James B. Doyle, boys and girls, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who tells us a yarn today about a terrific adventure that happened to him while he was a member of a CCC camp in Long Island back in '34.

Jim was sleeping soundly, after a hard day's work, when he was awakened by the bright rays of a flashlight in his face. It was still pitch dark in the bunkhouse and, he knew, not time to get up.

"What's the matter?" he growled.  
The light flashed off and Jim recognized the hushed voice of a buddy of his who occupied a bunk near him. The voice was shaking with suppressed emotion.

"Sh-h-h," it warned. "Don't make any noise. I want to tell you something—something important."  
"Well, go ahead," Jim answered, "but I don't see why you wake a fellow up at this time of the night to tell stories."  
"I can't tell it to you here. Someone might be listening. Slip into your clothes and come to the washroom."

#### Told of Killing Infirmary Attendant.

The washroom was a separate building. It was raining outside and Jim didn't feel like getting wet. It was nice and warm in bed, too. But something in the voice of his excited buddy made him obey. He was sure something terrible had happened and dressed quickly. Silently both men made their way through the rain to the washroom. The flashlight showed them the way through the darkness.

"What's the big mystery?" he asked.  
Jim's buddy looked at him carefully. He paced up and down the floor as though hesitating to tell what he had on his mind.

"I'm in trouble," he said finally, "a lot of trouble. I want your advice. But first I want you promise that you will never breathe a word of this to a living soul."

"I promise," Jim said wearily, "what's the trouble?"

"I've just murdered a man!"

Jim's eyes nearly popped out of his head. Murder! He hadn't



"I've Just Murdered a Man," He Said.

thought it would be as bad as that. He couldn't quite figure it out. He remembered seeing his buddy in bed earlier in the night and said so.

"I know it," the excited man went on, "but I got up in the night and went down to the infirmary. The attendant and I got into an argument and I shot him dead."

Jim understood now and recoiled in horror from the speaker. Face to face with a murderer he felt a feeling of revulsion. With a sickly smile he told the other he must be kidding.

"I wish I was kidding," was the answer; "if you don't believe me go down to the infirmary and see for yourself. He's lying on the floor in a pool of blood. I put two bullets in him."

#### Jim's Turn Was to Come Next.

Jim, still unable to associate his friend with such a cold-blooded killing, studied his twitching face carefully. In the dim light of the lantern it gleamed pale and set. The self-confessed killer stood—hands in his raincoat pocket—trying to read Jim's thoughts. Jim thought he detected a threatening gleam in his eyes.

"What did you do with the gun?" Jim asked casually.  
Before he answered the other man suddenly stepped quickly before the door and stood, back to the door, facing Jim. His hands were still in his pockets; his eyes narrowed to two thin lines. Something in his expression sent the cold chills down Jim's spine.

"The gun is right here in my pocket," he sneered, "and I was just thinking you know too much. You're the only man who knows I did it and I know what's on your mind. You're going to tell the state troopers. I was a sucker to tell you I killed a guy, but I'm going to kill you now and play safe. One more won't matter."

And with that the self-confessed murderer came after Jim. Jim backed away, stalling for time. He talked fast and told the determined man that he was his friend.

"Don't kill me," he pleaded. "I won't say a word. Run away now and they will never know who did it."  
Jim promised anything to get away from that menacing bulk in the raincoat pocket. But his words fell like water on a duck's back. He was backed, hands in air, into a corner of the washroom. There was no pity in those eyes that stared—cold as ice—into his. In another second Jim expected to hear the explosion that would send him hurtling into eternity. At the thought of this courage seemed to come to him.

#### All the Result of Shell Shock.

Wham! Jim braced himself and let fly a haymaker! It landed full on the other's jaw. Jim didn't stop to give him the count but tore out of the washroom into the night.  
Well, sir, Jim wouldn't risk going back to the barracks. He hid all night, instead, in a pile of lumber. From his shelter he could see his erstwhile buddy slinking back and forth in the darkness, searching for his escaped victim. Not until daybreak did Jim make his way to the mess hall. The mess sergeant glanced at his haggard, pale face. Over a cup of hot coffee that shook in his hand Jim told the sergeant his story. The sergeant listened intently but at the finish broke out into a roar of laughter. As he laughed he pointed outside.

And up the path—alive and smiling—came the murdered infirmary attendant and his arm was around the man who had confessed to his murder!

Jim heard the whole story then. It wasn't a joke. His poor buddy, he learned, was suffering from shell shock, and, although he often had wild hallucinations he was, in reality, harmless as a baby!

And that, boys and girls, is what I call an adventure!  
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#### "None But Americans on Guard"

There is a tradition that during an especially critical period of the Revolution General Washington issued the order, "Put none but Americans on guard tonight." There is no record that such an order was ever issued, but that it might have been issued is suggested by a circular letter which Washington sent to his regimental commanders in 1777 regarding recruits for his bodyguard: "You will therefore send me none but natives." A few months before Thomas Hickey, a pretended deserter from the British army, had tried to poison Washington and had been convicted and hanged. "Put none but Americans on guard" was one of the mottoes of the Know Nothing party which was organized about 1852.

#### Legend of the King

Here is an old legend of the eagle: "Alfred, king of the West Saxons, went out one day a-hunting and, passing by a certain wood, heard, as he supposed, the cry of an infant from the top of a tree, and forthwith diligently inquiring of the huntsmen what the doleful sound could be, demanded one of them to climb the tree, when in the top of it was found an eagle's nest and lo! therein a pretty sweet-faced infant, wrapped in a purple mantle, and upon his arm a bracelet of gold, a clear sign that he was born of noble parents. Wherefore the king took charge of him, and caused him to be baptized, and because he was found in the nest he gave him the name of Nestingum, and in after time advanced him to the dignity of an earl."—London Tit-Bits Magazine.

### CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Haskell County, Greetings:  
W. M. Underwood, Administrator of the Estate of Frankie Underwood, Deceased, having filed in our County Court his Final Account of the condition of the Estate of said Frankie Underwood, Deceased, numbered 917 on the Probate Docket of Haskell County, together with an application to be discharged as such Administrator,

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED, That by publication of this Writ for ten days in a Newspaper printed in the County of Haskell, State of Texas, you give due notice to all persons interested in the Account for Final Settlement of said Estate, to appear and contest the same if they see proper so to do, on Monday the 6th day of December, A. D. 1937, at the Court House of said County, in Haskell, Texas, when said Account and Application will be acted upon by said Court.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND and seal of said Court, at my office in the City of Haskell, Texas, this 22nd day of November, A. D. 1937.  
JASON W. SMITH  
Clerk, County Court Haskell County.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Original Writ now in my hands.

GILES KEMP,  
Sheriff Haskell County.  
By Hettie Williams, Deputy.

WANTED—Typing and office work to do after five o'clock in the afternoons. Day telephone No. 204, Night No. 4. Mrs. Hettie Williams, Sheriff's office. 1tp

### SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS,  
County of Haskell.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That by virtue of a certain Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Haskell County, on the 29th day of November 1937 by Roy Ratliff, Clerk of said District Court for the sum of Twenty two hundred and forty four Dollars and costs of suit, under a judgement, in favor of R. C. Couch in a certain cause in said Court, No. 4597 and styled R. C. Couch vs. H. B. Jenkins, placed in my hands for service, I, Giles Kemp as Sheriff of Haskell County, Texas, did, on the 1st day of December 1937, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Haskell County, Texas, described as follows, to-wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in Haskell County, Texas and described as follows: A part of Sub-division No. 1 of Coryell County School Lands, Survey No. 72, in Haskell County, Texas, Patent No. 605, Vol. No. 11, Abstract No. 99, described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a point in the S. E. line of said survey 757.28 vrs. E. of the Southwest corner of said Sub-division No. 1; Thence North 1118 1-2 vrs. to the N. B. line of said Sub-division No. 1 for the Northwest corner of this tract; Thence East along the N. B. line of said sub-division No. 1, 504.72 vrs. to the Northeast corner of this tract; Thence South 1118 1-2 vrs. to the S. B. line of Sub-division No. 1 for the Southeast corner of this tract; Thence West 504.72 vrs. to the place of beginning, and containing 100 acres of land, and being the same land decided to H. B. Jenkins by M. H. Guinn and wife, Stella N. Guinn, by deed dated November 22nd, 1927, and recorded in Vol. No. 111, page 301 of the Deed Records of Haskell County, Texas, to which deed and the record thereof reference is here made for a full and complete description of same.

and levied upon as the property of H. B. Jenkins and that on the first Tuesday in January 1938, the same being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of Haskell County, in the town of Haskell, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Order of Sale I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said H. B. Jenkins.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Haskell Free Press, a newspaper published in Haskell County.

Witness my hand, this 1st day of December 1937.

GILES KEMP,  
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## Do You Remember

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(Taken From the Files of the Haskell Free Press)

### 15 Years Ago

The Haskell Booster band, perched upon the largest truck in the city, serenaded the town Wednesday night.

Representatives from the various Sunday school and civic organizations met at the Library Monday afternoon and unanimously agreed to have a Municipal Christmas Tree.

J. B. Post was elected as a member and also as chairman of the Haskell County school board Tuesday of this week.

Twenty women gathered at the Library Friday, December 1, to hear Mrs. Courtney Hunt direct the strongest and most interesting lesson for the Magazine club this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Bernard and children who have been visiting in Peecos motored home in their new Premier last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Alexander and children and Ted Alexander of Seymour spent Thanksgiving in our city with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Earnest left for Fort Worth Saturday morning where she will visit her daughters.

Mesdames W. H. Murchison and John Oates are visiting in Dallas this week.

G. F. Atchison and family of this city and J. O. Jackson of Rule left last Tuesday morning for Corpus Christi where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. S. L. Culwell entertained the Young People's Missionary Society at the Methodist Parsonage Friday night, December 1.

Mrs. Joe C. Allen of Knox City spent Thanksgiving with relatives and friends in this city.

### 10 Years Ago

John and Rod Clifton and O. B. Ratliff, three Haskell boys while looking through the old rock quarry on Paint Creek last Sunday got into a den of rattle snakes and they succeeded in killing 10 large ones and could hear others singing among the rocks, but could not

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Elmer C. Watson Joke Editor

**RAY BULLETS**

Long E. so interested in how she came back? Fern and Gwyn like the "Begins At College?"

with fright the next. Come one, come all, and see a real live ghost in "Spooky Tavern" at Mattson for the small amount of 15c and 10c.

**KRIS KRINGLE IS COMING**

It is nearing Christmas and there is not nearly so much mischievousness being done around here. It certainly is a puzzle to some people that just about two or three weeks before Christmas all the "kids" try hard to please everyone.

**HOSS LAFFS**

Mr. Coody, excitedly—Just met a bear in the woods!  
Mr. Wray—Fine! Did you let him have both barrels?  
Mr. Coody—Both barrels, did you say? I let him have the whole gun; you can't run all weighted down.

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quarter. The score was 16-13 in favor of Midway.  
The senior boys game was very interesting as both teams were of about equal ability. John Mayfield was the outstanding player for Mattson and Edwards was outstanding for Midway. The game ended with a score of 34-17 in favor of Mattson.

**BASKET BALL TOURNEY**

The boys basketball tournament to be held at Mattson starts Thursday night, December 16. It will continue through Friday, Friday night, Saturday and Saturday night.

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any old big boy take my little bittie Merlie away from me, for I love her so.  
Now Santa, I am going to be and close my eyes tight. Please don't fail to bring my striped pants  
Your Friend,  
John Melvin McGuire

**ASSEMBLY PROGRAM**

Miss Perrin and the eighth grade had charge of assembly program this week.

**WHAT CAN YOU DO???**

Weep and you're called a baby laugh and you're called a fool yield, and you're called a coward, stand and you're a mule.

**SOCIAL**

The party given in the home of Lou Etta Stanford was enjoyed by a large number of Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores and Freshmen. The outstanding games were bingo, piggy, five hundred and pollyanna. A prize was given to the winner of each game.

**P. T. A. MEETING**

The Mattson Parent-Teacher Association met Tuesday, December 7 at 2:45 p.m. A very interesting program was presented with Miss Crume acting as director. The program was as follows:

**TOY PRODUCTION HIGH REPRESENTING \$230,000,000**

When Santa Claus starts out with his Christmas pack this December 25 it will represent \$230,000,000 in toys alone, an increase of 10 per cent over last year's toy production.

**SANTA CLAUS LETTERS**

Dear Santa:  
I am a boy in the tenth grade. I wish you would bring me a faithful girl. I also would like to have some hickory nuts and a bag of lemon drops.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl and I wish that you would bring me "S. C." wrapped up in a cellophane package with a blue ribbon. If you have enough I would also like to have a stick of peppermint candy.

Dear Santa:  
I am a little girl who is still weeping over a certain loss I had to endure—it happened to be an old flame. Please bring him a divorce so that he can come back to me.

Hello Santa:  
How are you? I am fine. What have you been doing since last Christmas, Santa?  
I have been a very good little boy this year. When mother tells me to bring in the wood, I do it without saying a word. She never tells me to do anything but what I do it. Santa, don't you think that is being a good little boy?

**Beware Coughs That Hang On**

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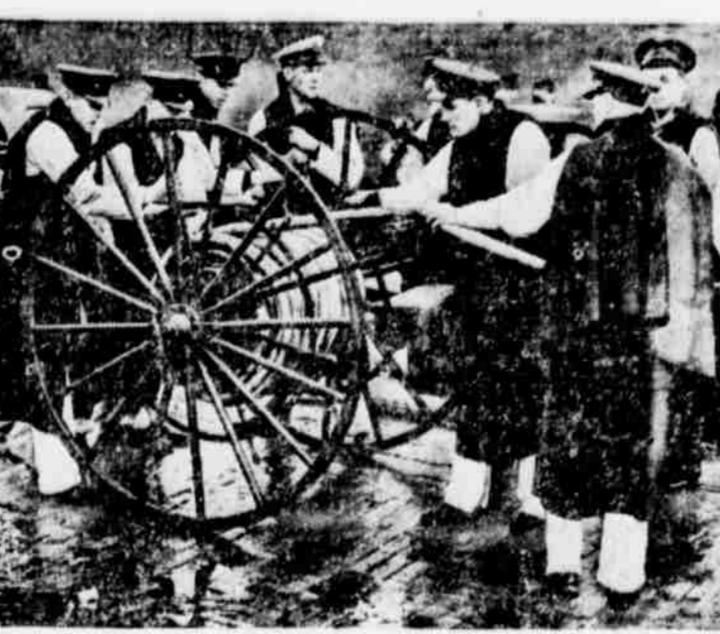
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## Future Admirals Act as Firemen



Middies of the fire brigade of the United States Naval academy at Annapolis, Md., are shown in action as they helped battle flames which gutted historic Carvel Hall, famed Annapolis hotel, recently.

**"DEATH TAKES A HOLIDAY"**

DRAMA, TO BE PLAYED AT A. C. C. DECEMBER 16TH

Students of Haskell High School are given a special invitation to see Robert Holton, Abilene Christian College student from Detroit, Michigan, who will take the leading role as Death in the Casella-Ferris comedy "Death Takes a Holiday" scheduled for presentation by the Melpomenean Players of Abilene Christian College Thursday evening, December 16.

**"Barberous Jokes"**

SOON after the bobbed hair fad had spread to Germany, a number of prominent citizens of Leipzig were surprised one day to receive a notice which said that the women of their household must pay their "bobbed hair tax" at once. There was a rush to the city hall where the clerks, puzzled at first by the desecrated upon them, finally convinced a group of anxious women that they had been the victims of a joker.

**Historic Hoaxes**

By Elmo Scott Watson

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**STORY OF U. S. D. A. IS PUBLISHED ON 75th ANNIVERSARY**

The story of the rise and development of the U. S. Department of Agriculture is now available in printed form on the occasion of its 75th anniversary, which is being observed this month. H. H. Williamson, director of the Extension Service division of the Texas A. and M. College, has announced.

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## Brief News Items From Weinert

**Baptists Begin Study Course**  
The training school of the Baptist Sunday School will be taught by Rev. I. J. Duff beginning Dec. 13 at the church. Rev. Walter Copeland will fill his regular appointments at this place Saturday night, Sunday morning and again at night.

**Weinert Basketball**  
Tuesday night the Weinert basketball team lost to Lueders by a score of 29 to 32. On Wednesday night Weinert won a game with Knox City. The score was 39 to 15 and they defeated Bomarton by a score of 30 to 25 one night this week. Weinert juniors were defeated by a score of 7 to 6. This is the seventh time Weinert has lost by one point.

On Friday night Dec. 10, Weinert defeated Mattson in three basketball games. It was the first appearance of the Mattson team, and they made a fine showing. Weinert is looking forward to another fine series of games with them this season.

**Stop Light On Highway**  
Mr. Roberts of the Highway Department of Abilene was here Friday. He was investigating the traffic conditions here. A man will be stationed here for three days to count the cars and trucks that

pass by in order to see if there is a possibility of securing a traffic light or stop sign.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mayfield were shopping in Weinert Friday. Mrs. Julia Siddens of Long Beach, Calif., former resident of Seymour is visiting her sisters, Mesdames R. H. Jones and Henry Monke. She will leave next week for her home in California after an extended visit to her Texas relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wren are rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby in their home.

Mr. Bill Holden passed through Weinert Friday and took time to say "hello" to friends.

Pitzer Baker of the Baker McCarty stores at Munday and Weinert was transacting business here Friday.

Arlis Weaver of the Mattson community was here Friday buying groceries.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. McFadden of the Boone ranch were in town Friday.

Mrs. W. F. Goble and little daughter Anna are spending several days this week with Mrs. Goble's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. Moody of Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Grover Jones of the Brushy community were in town Friday.

Mrs. W. A. Marr was operated on at the Stamford Sanitarium Wednesday Dec. 8 and will probably be at home in about two weeks. Her daughter Mrs. Preston Weinert is with her.

Clay Coggins who formerly operated a tailor shop here but now has a shop at Lueders was a visitor of his parents Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Coggins Friday. Mrs. Coggins a registered nurse, is on the nurses staff at the Stamford Sanitarium.

### Knitting Circle

Mrs. Reynolds Wilson was hostess for members of the Knitting Circle Thursday afternoon at her home. After the usual time spent in knitting Mrs. Wilson served a delicious refreshment plate to Mrs. Carl Arbuckle, Mrs. T. C. Cahill, Mrs. J. M. Lane, Mrs. Carl Power, Mrs. Sam A. Roberts, and Mrs. Jno. Willoughby.

**New Cook H. D. Club Notes**  
A Christmas party was planned at the meeting of the New Cook club in the home of Mrs. B. T. Weaver, Friday, Dec. 8th.

The Christmas party for the New Cook club members and their husbands will be in the home of Mrs. A. C. Pruitt Thursday, Dec. 10th.

Members were asked to carry Ball jars, one filled with acid fruit and one with a vegetable to Haskell for the Ball jar contest.

Mrs. Bill Penick was elected Council Delegate for the coming year.

Hot tea and cookies were served to Mrs. A. C. Pruitt, L. B. White, T. E. Rock, H. H. Hines, W. P. Hines, O. L. Yarbrough, Bill Penick, L. A. Singleton, J. J. Wheeler, J. E. Parsons, John Vernon, John Brock, T. J. Cannon, E. D. Weaver, Roy Fletcher, B. T. Weaver, and Misses Christine Penick, Myrtha Singleton, Leo Taylor.

## Brief News Items From RULE

**American Legion Auxiliary Entertains**  
The American Legion Auxiliary entertained their husbands with a turkey dinner and Christmas tree Wednesday night. Representative J. C. Davis was guest speaker.

**Rule Aggies Attend Auction Sale**  
Several Vocational Agriculture students and their teacher Mr. J. W. Young attended the Winston Brothers Auction sale at Snyder, Thursday, December 9.

The boys learned many points in judging Hereford beef cattle. Those that attended the Auction Sale were as follows: Jay Pumphrey, Bones Kincaid, Guy Sprouse, Scott White, Joe Cloud, Thomas Watson, Dennis Allison, Ronald Carothers, Malrey Penick, Dick Carothers, Pete Place, and Mr. J. W. Young.

**F. F. A. Boys Attend District Meeting**  
The officials of the Rule Chapter of the Future Farmers attended a district meeting in Abilene Wednesday night, December 8.

The officials that went were as follows: President, Pete Place; Vice President, Joe Cloud; Historian, Howard Perry; Secretary, Martin Kincaid; Parliamentarian, Guy Sprouse; and Advisor, J. W. Young.

**Sweet Home Has Pageant**  
A pageant was given at the Sweet Home Baptist Church Sunday night, December 12th. Forty characters were in this program representing Bible characters.

**Sophomores Have Class Party**  
The Sophomore class had a class party Saturday night, December 11. The party was held in the Rule Legion hall. Approximately 40 attended the party.

**Rule F. F. A. Boy Purchases Cow And Calf at Auction Sale**  
J. B. Pumphrey Jr. purchased a Hereford cow and a bull calf at the Winston Auction Sale, December 10th. Jay is a member of the Rule chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

**Banquet**  
Rule High School made history when they had their football banquet Friday December 10. The banquet was held in the gymnasium. The program ran as follows:

Coach, Max Vickers; Captains, 1937-38, Joe Cloud, James Turner; Captains, 1938-39, Bub Townsend, Dick Carothers. Faculty Sponsor, Miss Booker; Yell Leader—Pauline Hines; Mavis McCaul, Utence Sellers.

Menu: Fruit juice cocktail, chicken, dressing, gravy, candied sweet potatoes, green beans, rolls, butter, mince meat pie, butter, coffee.

**HERE AND THERE**  
Bill Fouts of the Sayles community was in Rule Friday.

W. T. Sarrells, service station operator, left the later part of last week for Sanitarium, Texas, for hospital treatment.

Quite a bit of oil leasing activity went on around Rule Friday and Saturday. Several thousand acres just north of town was leased.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Place visited relatives in Anson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Behringer were Stamford visitors Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. Lester Vick and little son of Amarillo visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Vick last week end.

A. A. Bradford spent the week end in Sweetwater.

Dr. Woods and wife of Stamford visited friends in Rule Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Sparks of Lueders visited in the home of Mrs. Sparks' mother, Mrs. Leonard Florence last week-end.

Mr. G. H. Williams of Seymour transacted business in Rule Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitman of Breckenridge visited friends and relatives here Sunday.

Miss Ruth Miller of Breckenridge visited her niece Mrs. Arthur Edwards Sunday.

### Want-Ads

**FOR SALE**—1 two year old filley, 1 two year old mule, 1 yearling horse colt, 1 yearling filley, 10 pigs, \$3.50 each. See Clay Kimbrough Jr. 1tc

**CHRISTMAS SPECIAL:** Permanents one dollar and up. Modernistic Beauty Salon.

**WANT TO TRADE**—32 model Chevrolet truck to trade for good Model A. Ford. Mack Perdue. 1tc

**FOR SALE**—Farmall Tractor equipped with good Planter and Cultivator. Lewis Free, 8 miles north of Haskell. 2tp

**FOR RENT**—House and 17 1-2 acres of land, inside city limits. See Edd F. Fouts, Haskell. 2tc

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Small building, 8x12, well built and can be moved. See Carroll Bledsoe, Haskell, Texas. 1tp

**FOR SALE**—20 acres close in, good flooring and gasoline hauling tank. Y. L. Thomason. 1tp

**FOR SALE**—Kaiser Radio in good condition. Reasonable price. See Mrs. Carrie McAnulty at Texas Cafe. 1t

**FOR SALE**—Tractor and Implement agency in West Texas city, together with lease on brick building running over several years period. Write Box 577, Haskell, Texas.

**FARM FOR SALE**—1 1-2 miles west of Haskell on highway. Can give possession if sold by Jan. 1st. The price is right. See J. E. Walling Sr., Haskell, Texas. 1p

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**FOR SALE**—18 acres land and 6 room house just outside city limits of Knox City, near paved road. Price \$1200. Would take car in deal. J. W. King, Knox City.

**POLE WOOD \$2.00 per cord on Monday.** Couch Ranch, North Roberts Church. 2tp

**FOR SALE**—4 acres land, 4 room house, 2 chicken houses, windmill and good well, electric lights. Near town of Henrietta on pavement outside city limits. Will trade for property in or near Haskell. Call Free Press or Write Box 577. 2tp

**SEWING WANTED**—Children's clothes a specialty. Dolls dressed for Christmas. Crocheting. Quilts pieced. Beatrice Thomason Draper. 1tp

**FOR SALE OR TRADE**—Late model Philco Radio, battery set, new batteries. Take half price. Might trade for good milk cow. I. N. Simmons, Phone 401. 3tc

**FOR SALE**—Wheat seed free of Johnson grass or smut. See J. P. Perrin, 8 miles north of Haskell. 4tp

**FOR SALE**—Seventeen Poland China Pigs, six-weeks old, \$4.00 each. Nine miles southeast Haskell, Howard community. H. J. Thane. 2tp

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\$11.00 Diamond Ring Set	\$7.95
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\$6.50 to \$15.00 Fountain Pen Sets.—A trade-in allowance of \$1.00 to \$4.00 will be allowed on your old pen.

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## W. A. Lyles, Jeweler

### CEMETERY NEWS

On December 7 at 3 p. m. this association convened in the Jones, Cox funeral parlor and much good was accomplished. Six dollars was collected in dues. Three more attending this meeting than the one previous. A phone committee was elected and also a finance committee. (Names will appear later).

Mrs. Courtney Hunt was elected vice president. She also served as president pro tem. Mrs. Ed Cass was elected secretary. The association voted to change the meeting day from the first Tuesday to the first Wednesday. This is done to try to increase the attendance.

To all who can, please pay your dues by January the first. This will eliminate quite a lot of personal work and time on the part of the finance committee and it is badly needed.

Miss Alma Sprowls, teacher in the 3rd grade, South Ward, accompanied Martina Lou Ivey in the reading, "As Children Like It."

On January 3rd at 3 p. m. in Holder's funeral home our first meeting for 1938 will be held. In making out your budget for 1938 please include some of your time to this association. We extend the season's greetings to every individual and ask "that fortune send a little more than you can spend"—Mrs. Joe Maples, President; Mrs. Courtney Hunt, Vice President; Mrs. Ed Cass, Secretary; Mrs. John Crawford, Treasurer.

**Haskell Youth's Honesty Rewarded By Loser of Bill**

Proof of the utmost in honesty was evidenced here Wednesday when J. R. Johnson, high school youth, found a \$10 bill on the streets and brought it to the Free Press where the owner could claim it.

"You keep it for the loser, it isn't mine," the youth insisted.

The bill was claimed later at the office by Nat Foster, farmer and J. R. will have money for an added Christmas gift as a reward for his honesty—a \$1 and a sense of good-worthiness of his own conduct.

### Cotton Consumption Shows Decrease In Month of October

The Census Bureau reported cotton consumed during October totaled 326,464 bales of lint and 72,928 of linters, compared with 601,837 and 73,700 during September this year, and 651,086 and 73,170 during October last year.

Cotton on hand Oct. 31 was reported held as follows:

In consuming establishments 1,418,602 bales of lint and 204,492 of linters, compared with 991,224 and 170,005 on Sept. 30 this year and 1,412,603 and 160,810 on Oct. 31 last year.

In public storage and at compresses, 9,758,419 bales of lint and 54,289 of linters, compared with 6,926,365 and 52,596 on Sept. 30 this year and 8,034,194 and 52,810 on Oct. 31 last year.

Imports during October totaled 8743 bales, compared with 5042 during September this year, and 9944 during October last year.

Exports during October totaled 798,921 bales of lint and 24,308 of linters, compared with 617,444 and 12,597 during September this year, and 861,016 and 32,135 during October last year.

Cotton spindles active during October numbered 23,724,272, compared with 23,886,948 during September this year, and 23,662,464 during October last year.

## \$1 Specials

- This Week Only**
- 2 Pair All Silk Full Fashioned Hose.
  - Hand Made Pillow Case, Set.
  - 1 Lot Sweaters.
  - 1 Lot Srafs.
  - 1 Lot Silk Slips.
  - 1 Lot Petticoats.
  - 2 Boxes Men's Hose.
  - Elastic Panties.
  - 2 Linen Guest Towels.
- Complete Stock of ladies ready-to-wear and holiday gifts.**

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